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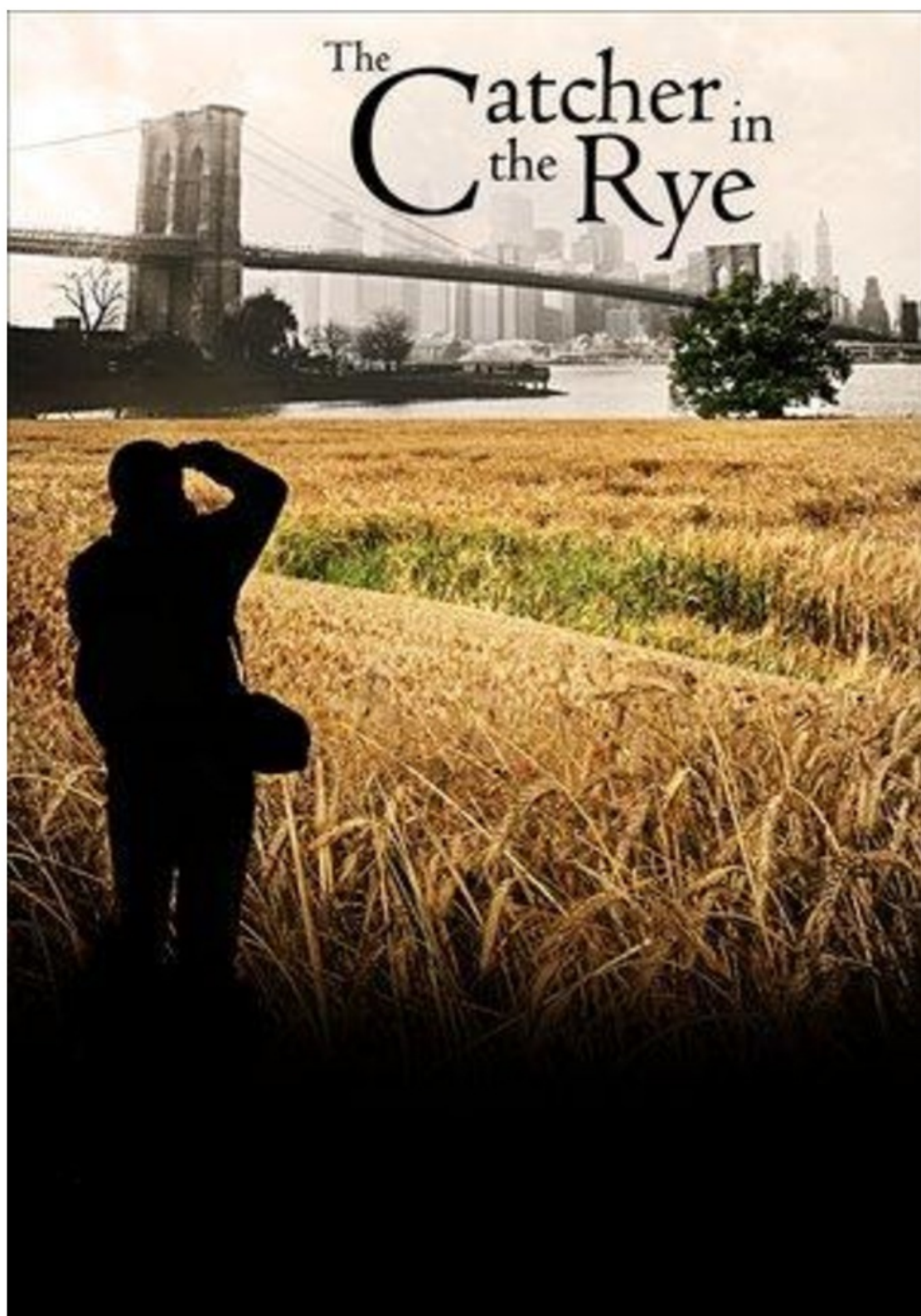
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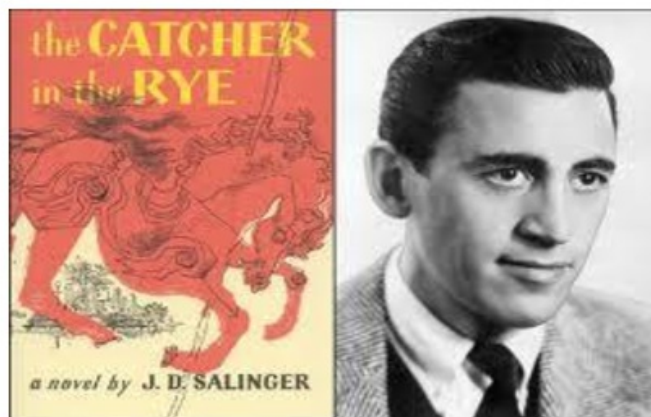
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<p>Metaphor</p> <p>9</p> <p>"Life is a game boy; life is a game that one plays according to the rules" (Chapter # 1)</p>	<p>8</p> <p>I can picture this man's life as an ocean wave going nowhere. His life is probably boring, and he does not like to play with his friends because he does not like to tell them goodbye. So why did he compare life to the game? Maybe he likes to play with his friends, but he is not able to do that. Salinger included this comparison because this is what people would expect about the life; you either win or lose the game. (82)</p>
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<p>1</p> <p>"The book I was reading was this book I took out of the library by mistake. They gave me the wrong book and I didn't notice it till I got back to my room. They gave me <i>Out of Africa</i>, by Isak Dinesen. I thought it was going to stink, but it didn't. It was a very good book" (Chapter # 2).</p>	<p>16</p> <p>18</p> <p>The narrator received the wrong book from the library, but he didn't discover that until while he was reading. Then, he thought that the book will be boring, but after reading it he said that the book was really good. It happens to me most of the time when I get a wrong book, but I don't usually read like him because I get bored from reading. This passage made me think that there are so many books out there that will be interesting to read, and they will not make you bored. (93)</p>
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<p>7</p> <p>"This is about the baseball glove. "So what" I said. Cold as hell. "Wuddaya mean so what? I told ya it had to be about a god dam room or a house or something" (Chapter # 6).</p>	<p>15</p> <p>41 Holden's friend told him to write a composition about a house or room, but he couldn't think of anything descriptive other than his brother Allie who was a baseball player. Once his friend read what Holden wrote, he became disappointed because of the composition. This occurs sometimes with me when I ask my friend or brother to do my homework, and they do it in a wrong way. I believe that everything you want you must do it by yourself otherwise it will not be correct. In addition doing others homework is not a great idea to do because everyone is responsible for his own homework. (106)</p>
<p>6</p> <p>"I have this grandmother that's quite lavish with her dough. She does not have all her marbles any more-she's old as hell-and she keeps sending money for my birthday about four times a year" (Chapter # 7).</p>	<p>52 Holden described his grandmother that she does not have any marbles because she is becoming old. Then, she was sending money for his birthday, and it was about four times a year. Moreover, why would he say that his grandmother does not have any marbles if she is sending money for him? Maybe because he does not like to receive money from her. Then, he may think that is a shame on him to get money from his grandmother. (79)</p>



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"Anyway, she was somebody you always felt like talking to on the phone. But I was too afraid my parents would answer, and then they would find out I was in New York and kicked out of Pencey and all" (Chapter # 10).

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Holden wanted to call his sister to talk to her, but he could not do it because he was afraid of his parents to pick up the phone. He did not want them to answer because he was kicked out of the school. In addition every student would have done exactly the same thing because they will be afraid of their parents. Therefore, many students do not tell their parents, and once their parents know there will be more trouble for the student. This may result in parents not trusting their kids anymore. (93)

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"Would you care to stop off and have a drink with me somewhere?" I said. He did not answer me, though. I guess he was still thinking. I asked him again, though. He was pretty good guy. Quite amusing and all" (Chapter # 11).

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Holden did not want to be alone so he asks the cab driver to have some drink somewhere. Then, why would he ask the driver to go with him? Probably because he does not want to be bored and he is in the mood to talk to people. Furthermore, I was asking why he would ask the driver to go with him. But now I understand that being alone will make him bored at the bar. (79)

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"Before I got to the hotel, I started to go in this dumpy-looking bar, but two guys came out, drunk as hell, and wanted to know where the subway was" (Chapter # 13).

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Holden was not tired so he did not want to go the hotel. He wants to have fun before going to the hotel. Then, on his way two drunk men came and asked him where the subway is, but he was not in the mood to answer them. Besides if it was D.B. he would have done the same because most people do not respond to drunk people. (68)



<p>5</p> <p>"I can understand somebody going to the movies because there's nothing else to do, but when somebody really wants to go, and even walks fast so as to get there quicker, then it depressed hell out of me" (Chapter # 15)</p>	<p>116</p> <p>Holden has no idea why people do not go to the theater unless they do not have anything to do. Then, it makes him get mad sometimes because he doesn't know why people do that. It bothers him so much because he does not want people to do that. Moreover, why did he say that it depressed the hell out of him? Probably because he wants to know why people do not that, but he is not able to know why. In addition, there are many people that go to the theater even if they have things left behind. (100)</p>
<p>3</p> <p>"I walked I sort of thought about war and all. Those war movies always do that to me. I don't think I could stand it if I had to go to war. I really couldn't. It wouldn't be too bad if they'd just take you and shoot you or something, but you have to stay in the Army so goddam long" (Chapter # 18).</p>	<p>140</p> <p>Holden like to watch war movies, but most of the time they remind him about the war. Furthermore, he does not want to be in the army because he cannot stand it because takes so long to get out of there. Why did he mention that he cannot stand it in the army? Maybe because he does not want to shoot people. Then, I was asking why he hates being in the army, but now I understand that if you are in army you will have to shoot people to defend yourself. (92)</p>



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<p>"But it was getting very cold out again, and my teeth started chattering like hell" (Chapter # 20).</p>	<p>153 I can picture him a little bit drunk, and he is under a cold weather. Then, he does not have any home to go to so he had to stay out in street. He was freezing and he could not handle it anymore. In addition, he mentioned that his "teeth started chattering" because the weather was so cold and his teeth started freezing. Moreover, he could not control them because it was getting colder and colder. There are many people like him they do not have any house to go to, but most of them know how to live in cold. (101)</p>
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<p>"Because you don't. You don't like any schools. You don't like a million things. You don't" (Chapter # 22).</p>	<p>169 If Phoebe had the same situation as Holden she probably would not say that. Then, she kept judging him without knowing his situation and why he left Pencey. In addition, she said that "You don't like a million things" maybe because he does not like any school and he blames the school for his failure. Then, he blames schools because he thinks that there are phonies, and he does not like being in school. (74)</p>
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"Among other things, you'll find that you're not the first person who was ever confused and frightened and even sickened by human behavior. You're by no means alone on that score; you'll be excited and stimulated to know. Many, many men have been just as troubled morally and spiritually as you are right now. Happily, some of them kept records of their troubles. You'll learn from them - if you want to. Just as someday, if you have something to offer, someone will learn something from you. It's a beautiful reciprocal arrangement. And it isn't education. It's history. It's poetry" (Chapter # 24).

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Mr. Antolini is explaining how people have bad behavior sometimes. Then, he is trying to send a message to Holden that he is not the only one with bad human behavior, there are many people like him. However, some of those people get better by the time and some not. In addition, this reminds me when my friend and I had a negative behavior to our teacher named Miss. Vasquez, besides it made her mad. However, we did not realize that at first, but after short period of time we apologized from her because we knew that was inappropriate. Avoiding negative behavior will make people respect you more. (108)

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"Don't ever tell anybody anything. If you do, you start missing everybody" (Chapter # 26)

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I can't believe how he missed everybody if he dislikes them all at first. Maybe he started realizing that he was mistaken when he disliked everybody. Then, why did he say do not ever tell anything? Probably if you start telling your story you will have some pain. Therefore, many people do not like to share their life stories because they do not want to feel like Holden did. In addition they do not want to be like him because it was so melancholy to him when he finished telling his story. (92)



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